

ST. MARY OF THE VISITATION PARISH



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SCHEDULE OF LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

*Children's Liturgy runs during the 11:00 a.m.
Mass for children in Kindergarten to Grade 2*

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday 8:00 a.m.

Thursday 8:00 a.m.

Friday 8:00 a.m.

PRAYING THE ROSARY

Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. and

7:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

All are welcome.

PARISH ADORATION CHAPEL

Our Chapel is available seven days a week starting
Sunday at 12 noon through Saturday at 5:00 p.m.

For more information please call Sheila at 519-
658-9414.

OUR PARISH SCHOOLS

Our Lady of Fatima School 519-658-4041

St. Elizabeth School 519-651-0400

St. Gabriel School 519-658-2008

St. Benedict Secondary School 519-621-4050

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

(Located in the lower level of the church)

Monday to Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Please register through our parish website or by
completing a form located at the parish entrances.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday – Friday 15 minutes prior to Mass

Saturday 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. or
by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please contact the parish office to begin the process
of preparing your child and family for this
Sacrament.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please contact the parish office before setting a date
of marriage in order to begin preparations.

PASTORAL CARE TO SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Please contact the office and Father David would be
most willing to visit.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY

Please call 519-658-6511 for assistance.

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Requested by
Tuesday, September 30	7:00 PM	+ Charlie Kirk In Thanksgiving	His Canadian Friends Carmen and Tony Chaves
Wednesday, October 1	8:00 AM	+ Darrell Jilek	Brian McCafferty
Thursday, October 2	8:00 AM	+ Mary and Jim Haney	The Haney Family
Friday, October 3	8:00 AM	+ Luigina Rossi	The Fantin Family
Saturday, October 4	5:00 PM	+ Nelson Luna + Stanislav Kubala	The Prior Family Sidonia Kubala
Sunday, October 5	9:00 AM 11:00 AM	For the people of St. Mary of the Visitation Parish For the people of St. Mary of the Visitation Parish	



PARENT INFORMATION MEETINGS FOR 2025-2026 SACRAMENTS:

*Confirmation Meeting: **Wednesday, Oct. 1st at 6:30 p.m.** in the church.*

First Holy Communion Meeting:

Wednesday, Oct. 8th at 6:30 p.m.

in the church. Online registration for these sacraments is available on our parish website. Parents are asked to register prior to attending the parent meetings.



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3. Type your name and your personal email address and click "Sign Up"

We encourage all parishioners to try out

FORMED! Are you a parent that is preparing your child for a sacrament? There are various videos that you can watch with your child.

MARRIAGE CONGRATULATIONS: We would like to congratulate *Shannon and Frank* who were married in our parish this past Saturday, September 20th. May God bless them as they begin a wonderful journey of marriage together.

MISSION MATS: Join us on **Monday, September 29th at 6:30 p.m.** in the parish centre. Come out and see the process. Volunteers are needed to help with the many steps of turning milk bags into sleeping mats. Drop in anytime...you don't need to stay for the whole two hours. A great way for teens to earn volunteer hours. All are welcome!



THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE:

The SVDP food pantry shelves are bare! We appreciate your donations of non-perishable food items which can be placed in the boxes by the doors of the church. We thank you for your support of this worthy cause.

SUNDAY VESPERS: We will be praying Sung Vespers (Evening Prayer) at St. Mary's at 5:00 p.m. on the last Sunday of every month. Join us for prayers this **Sunday, September 28th**. All are welcome.



ROSARY RALLY 2025: We invite you to join us at a Rosary Rally on **Saturday, October 11th at 12:00 noon** in our church parking lot. Please join us in praying the rosary and other prayers together with Father David.



MONTHLY COLLECTION: Members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society will be collecting donations after all Masses this weekend, **September 27th & 28th**. Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION NIGHT: All volunteers in the parish are invited to attend on **Tuesday, October 21st** following the 7PM Mass. *Save the date!* Details to follow next week.



CWL MEETING: All ladies of the Parish are welcome to attend our next CWL meeting on **Tuesday, October 7th at 7:30 p.m.** The Rosary will be prayed at 6:30 p.m. followed by a healing Mass celebrated by Fr. Chris Tracey. Fr. Chris will also be our guest speaker for the evening providing a relaxed talk and presentation on matters of healing and suffering. Come bring a friend and join us for what will be a very prayer, fellowship, and joyful celebration of our shared faith.

PARISH OFFERINGS for Sept. 20 - 21, 2025

Sunday Offerings: \$2,870.55

Your financial support is greatly appreciated.

If you are looking for ways to support the parish, please visit www.stmaryhespeler.ca/donate.

SPANISH MASS & RETREAT: You are invited to **St. Mary of the Visitation Parish** on **Wednesday, October 29th at 6:30 p.m.** for a Spanish mass and retreat. This retreat will end with Eucharistic Adoration. Topic "*Jesus sana las heridas del corazón y nos llena de Esperanza*", Guest speakers: Fr. Gustavo Jamut and Fr. Diego Gonzalez from Argentina. Fee: \$15. For more information contact Carmen: (905) 483-9481 or Erika: (519)-222-6333.

CAMBRIDGE RIGHT TO LIFE INTERNATIONAL LIFE CHAIN: Please join us for a peaceful, prayerful vigil to show our solidarity with the unborn and pray to end abortion in our nation. **Sunday, October 5th from 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.** Participants line along both sides of Hespeler Road near the Value Village/RBC Plaza. Signs are provided. Please help us to be a voice for the voiceless. For more information, visit: www.cambridgerighttolife.ca



The **NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION** is held each year on **September 30th**. This day provides an opportunity for all Canadians to reflect and honour Survivors of residential schools and all those who support them. We remember the children that never returned home. We recognize this painful history and, as a Catholic community, acknowledge our involvement in the residential school system. On this day, we pray, educate and advocate, looking for opportunities to discern how each one of us can participate in the journey of healing, reconciliation and hope. Visit the Hamilton Diocese website for resources.

Upcoming Events at the Parish

- September 27/28 ----- SVDP collection following all Masses
- September 28 ----- Sunday Vespers at 5:00pm
- September 29 ----- Mission Mats at 6:30pm in the Parish Centre
- October 1 ----- Parent Information Meeting for Confirmation in the Church at 6:30pm
- October 2 ----- Bible Study in the Parish Centre from 6:30pm - 8:30pm
- October 4 ----- Choir School at 10:00am in the Church
- October 4/5 ----- Coffee Sunday in the Parish Centre following all Masses
- October 7 ----- CWL meeting at 7:30pm in the Parish Centre
- October 8 ----- Parent Info Meeting for First Communion in the Church at 6:30pm
- October 9 ----- Knight of Columbus meeting at 7:00pm in the Parish Centre
- October 11 ----- Rosary Rally in the Parish Parking Lot at 12 noon

JUBILEE MULTICULTURAL MASS: St. Thomas the Apostle Parish in Waterdown is hosting the Diocesan Jubilee Multicultural Mass on **Sunday, October 5th at 3:00 p.m.** This vibrant celebration embraces the rich cultural diversity that enriches our diocesan community. The Mass will feature prayers, readings and hymns proclaimed in multiple languages including *Spanish, Polish, Italian, Vietnamese, Korean, and others*, reflecting the many cultures united in faith. Following the Mass, join us for a reception featuring cultural foods and entertainment from various communities.

BE A MAN: Calling all Men 18 yrs. and older. Become the man God created you to be. *Be A Man - Cambridge* starts **Saturday, October 4th from 7:00 – 8:30 a.m.** with a hot breakfast as part of the kick off to the fall session. We meet Saturdays in the hall at **St. Ambrose Church**. Come and join us for good food, good coffee and good fellowship. Please call Joe at 519-241-6070 to let us know you are planning to attend.

ST. AGNES EDUCATION CAFÉ EVENT: Many families today experience sadness and tension when their loved ones are far from the church, especially when they no longer practice the faith they were raised in. Parents may say "Where did we go wrong?" Grandparents just want their grandchildren baptized! We yearn for our loved ones to rediscover the true peace found in living a life with God at the centre to guide them – especially in today's challenging world. Plan to attend the fall St. Agnes Education Café: "**When Our Loved Ones are far from the Church**" on **Sunday, October 5th from 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.** (75 Bluevale St. N., Waterloo) with an insightful talk by Fr. Jeff Bergsma. For more info, visit www.saintagnescatholicchurch.org/events

YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT: **Sat., October 4th** at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, Guelph. See the poster or visit Vocations - Diocese of Hamilton

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